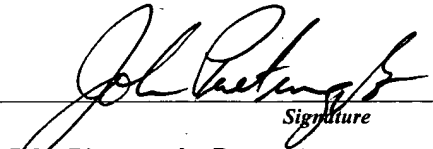
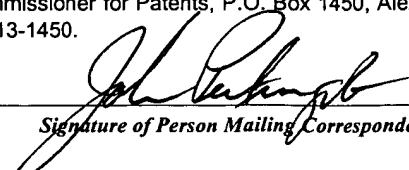


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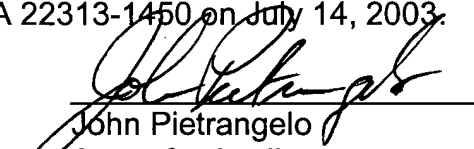
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

Introductory Comments

This Response to Office Action is being submitted in response to the Office Action mailed July 1, 2003. Since this Response to Office Action is being filed on or before October 1, 2003, that is, within three months of the date of mailing of the Office Action, this Response is being timely filed.

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